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DAHIYAT et al.

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of hG-CSF with Granulopoietic
Activity*

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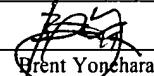
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1. U.S.S.N. 09/058,459, filed April 10, 1998, now U.S. Patent No. 6,188,965, issued February 13, 2001; U.S.S.N. 09/127,926, filed July 31, 1998, now U.S. Patent No. 6,269,312, issued July 31, 2001; U.S.S.N. 09/714,357, filed November 15, 2000; U.S.S.N. 09/812,034, filed March 19, 2001; U.S.S.N. 09/827,960, filed April 4, 2001; U.S.S.N. 09/837,886, filed April 18, 2001; and U.S.S.N. 10/057,552, filed January 25, 2002;
2. U.S.S.N. 09/419,351, filed October 15, 1999, now U.S. Patent No. 6,503,312, issued June 11, 2002; U.S.S.N. 09/782,004, filed February 12, 2001; U.S.S.N. 09/927,790, filed August 10, 2001; U.S.S.N. 10/101,499, filed March 18, 2002; U.S.S.N. 10/218,102, filed August 12, 2002; U.S.S.N. 10/665,307, filed September 18, 2003; and U.S.S.N. 10/666,311, filed September 18, 2003.

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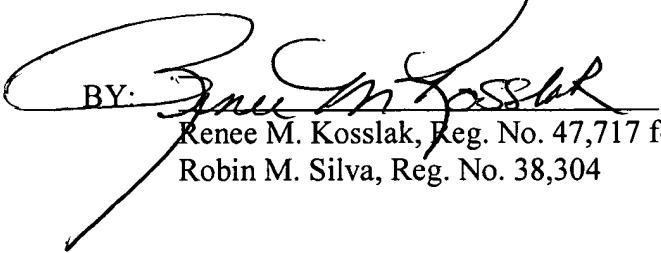
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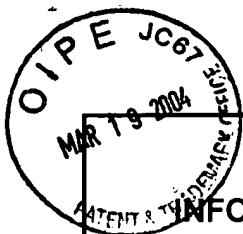
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